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Trade Names

State of New Jersey
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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MEMORANDUM

All Design Units:

We have noted an increasing use of trade names in specifications and on plans submitted for review.

The use of trade names shall be avoided. Instead, specifications shall be formulated and plan details drawn that will obtain the desired results and at the same time assure full opportunity for competition among equivalent materials, equipment and methods.

In exceptional cases, where new materials, equipment or materials are to be used and there is insufficient time available to develop a specification or if none is available from organizations maintained for the specific purpose of developing specification requirements based on laboratory tests or other performance requirements, trade names may be used for a reasonable period of time while specifications are being developed. In this event at least three trade name designations shall be specified.

Reference in specifications or on the plans to less than three trade name materials will not be accepted unless all equal and acceptable materials or products are listed and they number less than three.

A single trade name will be accepted when the work involved is on a private or utility owned facility and the owner requests that a certain trade name be specified for reasons of uniformity within his facilities.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edwin Jones".

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